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ADDRESS BY WILLIAM R. PAYNE

Many Visitors Attended the Beautiful Service of Dedication.

With impressive ceremony and in the presence of about 300 members and guests gathered in the hall and adjoining parlor of the new home of Dixon Lodge No. 39, I. O. O. F., was formally dedicated Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 20th. Officers prominent in the order say there is not a prettier or more conveniently arranged Odd Fellows building in the state. The congratulations bestowed upon the lodge were many and hearty and the memory of the late C. F. Emerson, whose bequest of \$15,000 made the building possible, was honored in the words of gratitude expressed.

The building has been erected at a cost of about \$17,500 and the lot upon which it stands cost \$7,000. The lodge had some money besides the Emerson bequest, but a debt necessarily rests upon the building which it is hoped will in a few years be cleared by the rentals of the two stores and the several offices.

The plans of the building, so adequately adapted to its purposes, were drawn by Architect Morrison H. Vail of this city and the builders were Cullen Bros. of Janesville, Wis. The building committee, whose suggestions and careful supervision is responsible in great measure for the happy result, is O. B. Anderson, S. W. Eakin and C. W. Dey. The trustees, upon whom the responsibility rests for providing for the financial affairs of the lodge, are J. F. Palmer, E. W. Jeffries, P. Menten, J. E. Moyer and R. L. Johnson. Details for the dedicatory exercises were in charge of the invitation committee, O. B. Anderson, E. E. Fischer and S. W. Eakin, and the entertainment committee, H. Wahl, Miss Carrie Smith, Louis Stephan, G. W. Howell and Wm. Asay.

DEDICATORY EXERCISES.
The lodge members and visitors were seated in the handsomely furnished room, the ladies of the Rebekah lodges about equaling the gentlemen present and the guests from out of the city numbering nearly sixty. Will Suggitt, Noble Grand, called the assemblage to order and the installing officers took their places. These were J. R. Kewley of Chicago, Post Grand Master, and W. R. Humphrey also of Chicago, Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge. After the singing of the opening ode and a prayer by Grand Chaplain Jeffries, Grand Marshal Waldo Ward and Grand Herald C. Gonneman, Geo. Howell, C. A. Robbins and John Hilbert in regalia took their stations.

Grand Marshal Ward introduced the services about to be undertaken by giving a history of the erection of altars and their significance and outlined the ennobling principles of Odd Fellowship. The building of the Odd Fellows' altar was then undertaken by the heralds, moving to the music of the piano with Henry Wahl at the instrument. First there was the white stone of purity for a foundation, then the pink stone of friendship, the blue stone of love, the scarlet of truth followed by faith, hope and the purple crown stone of charity. The fire upon the altar was lighted and burned through the remainder of the exercises.

O. B. Anderson, chairman of the building committee, turned the keys over to the acting Grand Master with a few remarks concerning the work of the committee, and stated that he believed the building would speak for itself, that their work was finished and they wished the hall set aside for the use of Odd-Fellowships.

Mr. Kewley accepted the hall for the purpose of dedication with congratulatory remarks and dedicated it in the beautiful words of the ritual. The heralds were then charged and to the four quarters of the earth proclaimed the dedication. The keys were then turned over to Dixon Lodge No. 39.

DEDICATORY ADDRESS.

Wm. R. Payne of Cook County Lodge No. 240 made the address of the afternoon, brightened by occasional humor and full of the beautiful thoughts embodied in the principals of the order. Of himself he said his mother's family were Hollanders and his father's Scotch-Irish, therefore he was a Scotch-Irish-Amsterdam-Dutchman. It is 23 years since he first joined the Odd Fellows and as he went from the country to the city when a young man he found, in consequence of his membership, that he was immediately surrounded by a company of true friends.

The members should be justly proud of this building, he said; when you stood at the last resting place of your good brother who made it possible for you to construct this home you thought of how in years before you had discovered his love for the order. You then learned how his love was expressed in money so that you would be able to build a home. I am glad, said Mr. Payne, to honor the memory of your good Brother Emerson, and the good Father has taken care that he shall march in the ranks of the blessed throughout all the cycle of time.

The building is amply suited to the work of the order and will have an income that will insure its absolute success.

There is never a night so dark or a storm so great that Odd-Fellowship will shirk its duty. Mr. Payne told of the work of the Chicago lodges in connection with the Iroquois fire disaster as an illustration. The greatest service of an individual toward his Creator, he said, is to extend a helping hand to his creature. It is the acme of love. If you don't love your sisters and brothers you are out of harmony with creation. You must kindle this altar fire in your home.

In May, 1848, the Odd Fellows lodge was started in Dixon and during the time since you have kept pace with the matchless growth of the order. Its principles all can embrace. We only ask you to do that which is right and help build up our fellows. The order embodies the love of country, love of home, love of God and the higher things of life.

Mr. Payne congratulated the members concerning a certain sign which he read in the ante room—"No Smoking." Brothers, keep it there, he said. It was an early command to mankind that he must subdue the earth or the earth would subdue him. Our duty is to bring ourselves into subjection of that law which each day brings us on step higher than the day before. The time has come to put manhood and womanhood above everything else. Mr. Payne closed his address with the verses of Longfellow beginning:

"All are architects of fate
Working on the walls of time"

Grand Warden Humphrey was asked to speak and said that he has been especially interested in the building for a long time because of his acquaintance with Brothers Anderson and Vail, and he really thinks it is the most beautiful hall he has ever seen. He urged the members to believe fully in the principles of Odd-Fellowship, adding that he didn't believe any man made a success of his own life unless he believed in himself. The sunny smile, the kind word, the helping hand—that is Odd-Fellowship.

O. B. Anderson, chairman of the building committee, was asked to say a few words. The only obligation we had as a committee, he said, was with the assistance of the brothers at large, the trustees and Architect Vail, to expend the money to the best interest of the order.

Following the program a dance was held in the banquet hall for which Kent's orchestra played.

The list of visitors at the day's exercises as disclosed by the register is as follows:

It took considerable time to devise the structure we have erected. While the money left by Brother Emerson was enough for our needs we all believed we could meet any obligations necessary to erect the building. It leaves us somewhat in debt, which was not unexpected by the committee or the lodge. By proper management Dixon Lodge can succeed in paying off the indebtedness and have the building clear of debt. We can then have an income of \$1,000 or \$1,500 to put into the uses of the lodge each year. We have today met all our obligations to the sick, which have been heavy, and I see no reason why we as a lodge should not be in a few years fixed to

Eastern Democrats are Planning to Prevent Hearst From Holding Up Convention.

KNIFE IS OUT FOR BRYAN ALSO

Will Enforce the Unite Rule For All Eastern Delegations.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 20.—The wicked Eastern Democrats are laying plans to scotch the Hearst boom and to prevent Mr. Bryan and Mr. Hearst from holding up the Democratic national convention. The way the Easterners propose to do it is through application of the unite rule to state delegations in the convention.

The Bryan-Hearst plan of campaign, as understood by the conservative Democrats of the East, is alleged to combine the delegates who will come to the convention under Mr. Bryan's domination and those who are expected as a result of Mr. Hearst's campaign in several states.

It has been alleged to be the intention to utilize these delegates, if their total is in excess of one-third of the convention, to prevent the nomination, by a two-thirds vote, of candidates unacceptable to Bryan and Hearst.

PLAN THE UNIT RULE.

The Eastern managers admit that some delegates in each state delegation may be controlled by Bryan and Hearst. It is possible that their individual votes when added together may number more than one-third of the convention. The aim of Easterners is to use the unit rule, so that these votes cannot be cast individually, but will have to be delivered in accordance with the will of the majority of the delegations.

Thus while Mr. Hearst might be able to capture some delegates from Chicago, it is said to be certain that the majority of the Illinois delegation will not be under his domination and the application of the unit rule would cause the Hearst vote in Illinois to go wherever the majority decided.

ARE DISGUSTED WITH BRYAN.

Southern and Eastern Democrats in Congress are very much disgusted over Mr. Bryan's renewed allegiance to the Kansas City platform, as expressed in his speech Monday night. The Southern and Eastern men have been bending all their efforts to get the party from beneath the shade of the deadly upas tree of Bryanism and to put it on a sound basis again.

It is said to be practically certain that the unit rule can be applied in the New England delegation, New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania, and the states east of the Mississippi river. That will insure those states being free from the Bryan-Hearst control.

It may be possible for the platter to take advantage of the unit rule themselves and solidify some of the Western delegations, but their strength will not be sufficient to cut any material figure in the convention.

HELD FOR MURDER.

Coroner's Jury at Freeport Says Mrs. Sked Is Guilty.

At Freeport the coroner's jury in the Remington investigation agreed upon a verdict at 3:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. It sets forth that the boy "came to his death through injuries to his spinal cord and membranes, and other injuries, feloniously and violently administered upon said deceased at the hands of Mary Jane Sked, and we recommend that the said Mary Jane Sked be held as the unlawful slayer of said James William Dayton Remington."

Immediately after the verdict was read the coroner issued a mittimus, upon which Mrs. Sked was taken to all to await the action of the grand jury.

Basket Ball Tonight.

Two games of basket ball will be played in chapel hall of Dixon College at 8 o'clock this evening between first and second teams of the city Y. M. C. A. and the college. The public is invited to witness the games.

Will Install K. C. Officers.

G. G. McCarty, D. D. S. K., of Freeport will be here on Friday evening to install the officers-elect in the Dixon Council, Knights of Columbus.

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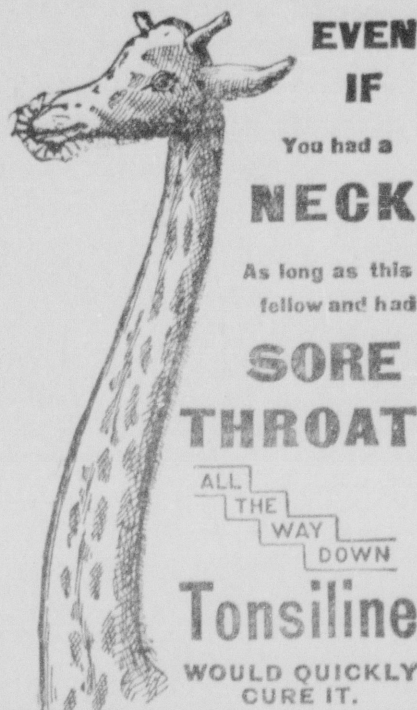
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Lace bark is her favorite material for making anything light and dainty. This lace bark is the film which covers the heart of the lace bark tree. The natives carefully remove it and soak it in running water for three or four days in order to get off the gum and unnecessary fiber. After that it is bleached on the sands by the river and sprinkled now and then to whiten it. When it has become a creamy white it is pressed with a hot iron or a heated stone and is ready for use. It has a fine lace appearance and runs into more artistic patterns than any manufactured article. When made into a dress it is wonderfully beautiful.

The jungle girl uses it sparingly on her ordinary clothes, but for her ball dress flounce after flounce is used to give a fluffy look to the skirts. She knows that it becomes her as nothing else would.

Her jewelry consists of beautifully colored seeds strung together in the form of necklaces, bracelets and tiaras. In addition to these, on the night of the ball she catches the brilliant fireflies which swarm in the jungle and artistically arranges them in her dusky locks. The jungle girl would not exchange her "peenie wallahs," as she calls the fireflies, for the diamonds of the northern belle.

The jungle girl's hats are a marvel to behold. She weaves them herself from the jippi jappa grass, and can get any shape or style she fancies. She trims them with the netty fiber of the coconut palm and the gorgeous wings of the mountain parakeet, which is shot and brought home by her father and brother. Even her parasol and umbrella are supplied by kindly nature. When the sun is too hot or the rain too heavy a big palmetto or banana leaf does as well as anything bought in the largest stores of an American city.

A crole belle is as fond of perfume as the daintiest American woman and is just as particular that it shall be of the best kind. She goes to much more trouble to procure it, but then she knows that it is always pure and fresh. She first picks her fresh flowers, and then, by some process handed down from one generation to another, she distills it.

The secret method is often known to only a few families, and they would not give it away for any sum of money. The lucky holders of the secret are of course envied by all who know them. Although others may receive presents of the much valued scent from those in the secret, they cannot make it themselves and therefore cannot afford to be as lavish with it as they wish.

The tropical girl's soap is procured on the way to the bath. As she walks down to the river to bathe she stops here and there to gather soap berries and cuts a piece of stick called "chew-stick," which she uses as a toothbrush. She chews the end of it until it becomes quite soft and froth gathers at the end. She then rubs her teeth well with it. This is the best toothbrush on earth, as it not only prevents the teeth from decaying, but keeps them beautifully white and clean. People in other countries, knowing the value of this chewstick above all others as a dentifrice, have it powdered and exported to them.

In many parts of South America the natives cannot buy cloth to make their clothes, so they have to spin it themselves out of coconut fiber, river weeds and bamboo fiber. The cloth woven from the bamboo fiber is very soft and silky.

Unlike the West Indians, the South American belle wears shoes of a kind. These are made of a coarse woven material like sailcloth, which is attached to soles of rawhide. They are the most comfortable shoes imaginable and are used by the soldiers of South America when on the march. They are called "alpaggattas," and Americans who have traveled in South America invariably bring them home to their wives and daughters for bath slippers. Those who are lucky enough to have a pair would not exchange them for any other slippers, however costly. No other footwear equals the "alpaggatta" for comfort and durability—Washington Star.

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Elgin Woman Ends Her Life.

Monday, while temporarily deranged Mrs. George Bogart, widow of Capt. Bogart, formerly a member of the Elgin fire department, inhaled the fumes of a gas stove in the kitchen of her home in that city and died unattended.

It was just eight months ago to the day that her husband, George Bogart, accidentally dismembered himself with a shot gun while preparing to go on a crow hunt.

Emmanuel Church Revivals.

The revival meetings at Emmanuel United Evangelical church opened with good interest last Saturday night. F. W. Heilman had charge of the service and spoke to an appreciative audience.

The meetings will continue next week. Rev. G. F. Rassweiler of Chicago will preach every night next week. All come and hear him.

—Wm. Alberts, a farmer residing in Genesee township, Whiteside county, slipped from a load of wood Tuesday afternoon and broke both bones of one leg below the knee.

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AMBOY NEWS ITEMS.

Gleaned from the Columns of the Amboy Journal.

Born, Jan. 18, 1904, to Mr. and Mrs. Bert Finch, a daughter.

D. D. Davis and family have moved to the Newhouse farm west of Amboy, where they used to live.

There will be a ball at Pawpaw next Tuesday, January 26, with the Goddard orchestra of Aurora to furnish the music.

Philip Fassig, one of the pioneer settlers of Brooklyn township, died at his home in Mendota, Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1904, aged 81 years.

Miss Halmeier of West Brooklyn and Mr. C. Weber of Sublette were married last Wednesday, at the Catholic Church in the former village. The Rev. Father Leising officiated.

Two girders, each 77 feet long went south over the Illinois Central Tuesday morning, to be used in constructing the bridge over Bureau creek, north of Hinkle,—in line with the improvements contemplated by the company.

The Methodist young people had a sleigh-ride out to Joseph Brierton's Monday night, and a social entertainment and an oyster supper. There were a large number present and the evening was very pleasantly spent.

Gus. Weiser was in town Saturday from West Brooklyn. He will rent the A. N. Shoemaker farm in Lee Center township for the present year. Gus is a first-class farmer and worked the Shoemaker farm for several years up to two years ago.

R. P. Sperry, representing the Munsell Publishing Co. of Chicago, is in town this week looking after the material for the forthcoming history of Lee county compiled by the Hon. A. C. Bardwell of Dixon. This history will be complete and comprehensive, embodying matter not contained in histories heretofore published. It should be in every household, as it will probably be the last as well as the best history of the county dating back to early times.

New Swindling Dodge.

Parties are making their way through the country with a new swindling dodge. The dodge is an easy one and finds many who are ready to bite.

A fellow comes along and lets cut the secret that all persons in possession of a 1894 dollar may secure a sea-son ticket to the world's fair for it. He then says he has been through the country searching for the coins of that date, and finds them to be scarce but all those he finds he takes up. A couple of days afterwards his confederate comes along and incidentally mentions that he heard of the scheme and as he has in his possession a number of the coins and can't use them all, he is willing to sell them at a reasonable price, sometimes as high as \$5 apiece.

The fact of the matter is that the 1894 dollar is of no more value than any other as far as getting into the fair grounds is concerned. It will take a person into the ground twice the same as any other dollar but that is all.

There is no use trying to arrest the fellow as his spiel is given with care and there are no points which are not all right and he promises nothing which would be sufficient to send him over the road.

The graffer doesn't always offer the 1894 dollars for in some places these are not readily secured and consequently some other coin of rare date is selected. In some places the 1903 dollars has been used to work the graft, the swindler claiming they are wanted because that year was the one hundredth anniversary of the Louisiana purchase.

Local Church Paper.

The session of the Presbyterian church has decided to publish a paper in the interests of the church work. The paper which has not yet been named, will be issued monthly and will be an eight-page publication. The pastor, Dr. Cryor, will have editorial charge of the paper. It will be devoted to the interests of the church and the advancement of the work.

—The annual chicken pie social given recently by the volunteer fire department of Franklin Grove was a grand success socially and financially. The supper was held in the vacant store room of the Canterbury block and was the largest, in point of attendance, that was ever held by the company.

Home-seekers' Excursions to the North-west, West and Southwest, and Colonist Low Rates West.

Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates are on sale to the territory indicated above. Standard and Tourist Sleeping Cars, Free Reclining Chair Cars and "The Best of Everything." For dates of sale and full particulars apply to Agents Chicago & Northwestern R'y.

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HORROR IN A BIG MILL

Steampipe Explodes, Wrecks a Building and Fire Follows to Make It Worse.

FORTY MEN ARE THE VICTIMS

Of Whom More Than a Dozen Are Dead—Others Badly Injured.

Wounded Men Caught in the Debris and Roast or Drown—Steel Trust Loses \$3,000,000 by Fire.

Johnstown, Pa., Jan. 21.—A large steampipe directly over the engine in the boiler room of No. 2 mill of the Cambria Steel company exploded about 1:30 this morning, bringing down the whole section of roof running from the puddling mill to the finishing shed of the mill. The woodwork at once took fire from the furnaces, and began burning fiercely. Two or three men were under the debris and it was not possible to rescue them in time to save their lives.

Some Burned; Some Drowned. About twenty-five men have been taken out and have been either sent to the hospital or are lying on improvised cots in offices nearby. It is known that several are in a critical condition. Added to the fire and explosion disaster, a large waterpipe burst, and flooded the ground about the scene of the accident. One man caught in the debris was in plain sight but could not be rescued, owing to the intensity of the heat. Not one of the men panned in could escape death either by drowning or fire. The accident occurred between a turn, and a great many men were seated in the mill conversing and whiling a few moments away in a social manner.

Twelve to Fourteen Dead. The number of dead is estimated at from twelve to fourteen men. The injured will number twenty-five or more, many of whom are terribly scalded and cannot live. Two bodies have been recovered.

FIRE THAT COSTS \$3,000,000

Steel Corporation Plant at Shelby, O., a Total Wreck, with Its Product.

Shelby, O., Jan. 21.—The United States Steel Corporation has sustained a \$3,000,000 loss by fire at the plant of the Shelby Steel Tube company. The fire started in one of the smaller rooms, from a defective electric wire and spread to the larger stock rooms, completely destroying all of them. The product of the entire plant for the past six months was destroyed within an hour, consisting of 800,000 tons, making in all 25,000,000 feet of finished product, and valued at \$3,000,000.

The fire broke out at 9 p. m. and at 10 p. m. the immense buildings fell in with a crash which could be heard distinctly for miles from the city. Battered and twisted the finished product lies in a heap, and is almost a total loss. Tube works officials state that a portion can be worked over, but it will require the entire capacity of the plant, and will delay the mills on other orders. The stock consisted mostly of locomotive boiler flues and government work of various kinds. The fire was confined to the stock buildings, which were built at an expense of \$100,000.

The tubing, manufactured by the Shelby plant was used extensively by the government for boiler flues in United States war vessels. The demand of the government alone is sufficient to keep a good-sized plant running continuously the year round. The United States government has been the best customer of the local plant. The plant was erected in 1890, and covered ten acres of ground.

Four Men Terribly Injured.

Youngstown, O., Jan. 21.—The premature explosion of dynamite used in preparing the right-of-way for the Baltimore and Ohio railroad at Towellville resulted in the serious, if not fatal, injury of four men and the slight injury of four others. Those seriously injured are: James Jenney, scalp wounds and chest broken; Mike Lukowitch, jaw broken, eye blown out; Steve Lukowitch, leg broken and badly burned; Nicholas Vokowitch, eyes blown out and badly burned.

Five Very Seriously Injured.

Pittsburg, Jan. 21.—Of thirty passengers aboard a trolley car which ran away in Rankin five were seriously hurt and ten others badly bruised and shocked. The seriously hurt: Simon Callahan, of Bradock, will die; Edward Fraser, of Bradock, condition critical; Jos. Scafield, of Wilkinsburg, serious; Miss Mary McNutt, of Wilkinsburg, serious; P. S. Starke, of Wilkinsburg, critical.

Naphtha Explosion That Costs \$50,000.

Boston, Jan. 21.—An explosion, presumably of naphtha, that blew a hole through the top of the large brick structure 95 to 107 Albany street started a fire that gutted the fourth and fifth floors, and cost \$50,000.

No Amalgamation This Time.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 21.—Negotiations for an amalgamation of the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen and the International Association of Car Workers came to an end when the representatives of the car workers abruptly moved to adjourn and left the conference. All hopes for an amalgamation are at an end.

SOCIALISTIC MOVE SAT UPON

U. M. W. Convention Declines to Consider It Seriously—Scale Matters Somewhat Mixed.

Indianapolis, Jan. 21.—The Leavenworth, Kan., delegation in the U. M. W. convention introduced a socialistic resolution so strong that it was received as a joke. It provided for miners owning coal mines and railroads, forming a political party with the union label under the emblem, and other features of a like kind. It was laughed down. The credentials committee announced that it would not be able to report and the convention adjourned for the day.

The delegates seem to have no definite idea as yet as to the terms of the scale they will offer. The recommendations of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania will naturally take precedence. It has developed that a strong demand will be made for a substantial increase for out-door men and for the engers, track layers, timber men and drivers who work inside the mines.

MET FOR A COMBINATION

But Instead Split Into Two Groups, the Steel Industries of the German Empire.

Berlin, Jan. 21.—Conferences held at Cologne this week in an attempt to organize all the great German steel companies into a syndicate have resulted in failure. The conferences succeeded in splitting the steel industry into two groups, the first of which includes the manufacturers of half rolled goods, girders, and other simple structural forms, while the second is composed of the manufacturers of steel rails and other railway material. The second group embraces the sixteen great companies which took the lead in trying to effect the general organization. These companies have now decided to hold together and to begin a price war upon the companies who refused to accept the terms offered for the general steel syndicate.

NEGROES ARE TERRORIZED

Region of Bigbee, Ala., Seems a White Man's Country with Great Emphasis.

Stephens, Ala., Jan. 21.—Negroes living near Bigbee, Washington county, are terrorized by actions attributed to a self-styled "Dalton gang." Several months ago a turpentine still and sawmill were burned, and negroes were suspected. The children of Daniel Grimes, a negro, were fired on from the bushes last week.

The same night Grimes' house was fired into. A notice was served on him to leave within five days on penalty of death. The same night two negro churches were burned; also a barn and contents belonging to Joseph Anderson, a white farmer.

Casts Suspicion on a Jurist.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 21.—The New York State Bar association has referred to the standing committee on grievances a communication of the Bar association of Jamestown which called attention to certain portions of the report of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow criticizing the conduct of the postoffices in Dunkirk and Fredonia, and connected therewith the name of Supreme Court Justice Warren B. Hooker.

Another Free Trader Elected.

London, Jan. 21.—The bye-election at Gatashead to fill the seat in the house of commons made vacant by the recent death of Sir William Allan, advanced Radical, has resulted in a victory for John Johnson, Liberal free trader, over Lord Morpeth, Unionist and tariff reformer.

Schaefer Challenges the World.

Paris, Jan. 21.—Jacob Schaefer, the billiardist, publishes a letter challenging any billiard player in the world for two matches—one at eight-inch ball-line, two shots in 3,000 points, 500 points each night; the other match at cushion carrows, 1,800 points, 300 points each night.

Gorman and Hanna Both Invited.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 21.—The senate has concurred in the house joint resolution inviting Senator Hanna, of Ohio, to address the general assembly of Kentucky. By a previous resolution Senator Gorman had been invited to address the legislature.

Gov. Bushnell's Will Filed.

Springfield, O., Jan. 21.—The will of former Governor Asa S. Bushnell has been filed for probate. It provides for the distribution of practically all of his estate among his wife and children. The estate is said to amount to nearly \$7,000,000.

Reason for His Absence.

New York, Jan. 21.—Peter Forrester, former grand commander of the Knight Templars of this state, who has been missing since last September, is charged with not having accounted for a trust fund of \$20,500.

War on the Anti-Toxin Trust.

Chicago, Jan. 21.—Public subscription may be asked to establish a laboratory for the manufacture of anti-toxin. Boycotting the products of the firms said to have formed a pool is also talked of.

Korean Emperor a Trouble.

Seoul, Jan. 21.—The emperor of Korea has ordered that 700 revolvers and clubs be distributed to the "peddlars" who are nominally secret police and a dangerous element.

Smithson's Body at New York.

New York, Jan. 21.—The body of John Smithson, the founder of the Smithsonian Institute at Washington, who died in Genoa in 1829, has arrived on the steamer Prinzess Irene.

VIEWS ON SUBSIDIES

Grosvenor's Report for Them and the Objections of the Minority Stated.

STATUS OF THE PANAMA PACT

Morgan Proposes to Annex the Isthmus—Interstate Commerce Board's Books All Right.

Washington, Jan. 21.—In his report to the house filed yesterday in favor of the bill authorizing a commission to consider the question of ship subsidy Grosvenor, chairman of the committee on merchant marine and fisheries, says: "We differ ourselves justly that we are a leading nation in all that makes a nation great, and yet we are a subservient nation and a helpless nation in one of the great factors of national wealth and national independence. Other nations carry our products to the markets of the world."

Says We Should Have That \$200,000,000. General Grosvenor says that of almost a billion dollars' worth of exports to Europe during the fiscal year 1902 only 13 1/2 per cent, was carried in United States-built vessels. Of nearly \$500,000,000 of imports during that year ships built here carried only \$90,000,000 worth. He says that had it not been for the American line, subsidized by postal subsidy, the total of our trade with Europe carried under the American flag would not have exceeded one-sixth of one per cent. For the carrying of that trade General Grosvenor says we paid \$200,000,000, which amount he maintains should have gone into our own pockets.

What the Minority Opposes. The minority members of the committee have designated Representative Lucking of Michigan, to present their views. These will contain the following reasons why the bill should not pass: "We are opposed to congress subsidizing its functions in favor of any commission whatever. The history of such commissions shows that almost invariably their work has been useless and expensive and has come to naught. We are utterly opposed to ship subsidies, and have reason to believe that the adoption of such a policy is the real aim of the bill."

And What Meets with Its Favor. "We are in favor of the rehabilitation of our merchant marine by effective measures to be enacted at the present session of congress. We favor immediate action by the committee in the way of investigation and hearings, and then the bringing in by this committee of a bill putting in force substantially the system of discriminating tonnage and import duties which was enacted by the early congresses of the United States, and which resulted in the immediate and permanent upbuilding of our merchant marine. This system has the prestige of successful experience, which cannot be said for any other, while the subsidy plan has been substantially a failure both at home and abroad."

PANAMA CANAL MATTERS

President Anxious That the Treaty Be Ratified—Morgan's Proposition.

Washington, Jan. 21.—President Roosevelt and Senator Aldrich, of Rhode Island, the Republican floor leader of the senate, had a long conference. It is known that the status of the Panama canal treaty was under consideration. The president is taking occasion to discuss the matter with Republican senators with a view to an early ratification of the treaty, if possible. It is the earnest desire of the administration that the treaty be ratified without amendment. It is reported that the Republican senators have practically determined to drop all the amendments.

Senator Morgan Has Introduced a Bill

providing for the annexation of Panama to the United States, "the rights and property of Panama resting in the United States, without reserve." The bill appropriates \$10,000,000 as compensation to Panama for its cession; places \$10,000,000 at the disposal of the president for the compensation of Colombia, and appropriates \$60,000,000 for the purchase of the property of the new Panama Canal company in Colombia, including the Panama canal. It is especially provided that the provisions of this bill shall not have the effect of repealing the Spooner act.

During his speech against the Panama policy Senator Patterson, referring to the president's declaration that what had been done in Panama had been done as the mandate of civilization, quoted with approval a statement by Spooner to the effect that that was a new phrase, adding: "It was a new phrase, and the man who coined it must have been in a state of mental exaltation at the time as others have been on other occasions. Mahomet."

Joe Smith and Dowie have Moved in

such exalted spheres that they imagined themselves as the very vicerepts of the Almighty, and it may be that the president moves in the same sphere."

No Collision, Says Admiral O'Neill.

Washington, Jan. 21.—Replying to the question of the house committee on naval affairs as to whether there is a preliminary understanding as to price between the navy department and the steel companies manufacturing armor for the government, Rear Admiral O'Neill says he does not know whether Secretary Tracy had such an understanding, but as to himself there was positively no collision or understanding of any kind. The situation

was very satisfactory. anyhow, he said, as we were getting armor cheaper than any other government, and it was equal to any made anywhere.

FOR RIVER IMPROVEMENT

Delegations at Washington Working for the Mississippi and Ohio.

Washington, Jan. 21.—A delegation consisting of Governor Van Sant, of Minnesota; Captain Tyson, of Davenport, Ia.; E. B. Usher, of LaCrosse, Wis., and Lewis B. Russell, of Quincy, Ill., representing the Upper Mississippi River Improvement association, called on the president to enlist his interest in and support of the project to improve the upper Mississippi. They want \$15,000,000 spent on it and a minimum depth of six feet obtained at low water.

A delegation representing the interests along the Ohio river was heard by the house committee on rivers and harbors in favor of a nine-foot channel at low water in that stream. It was estimated that \$3,000,000 would be required for the completion of this project.

Senate and House in Brief.

Washington, Jan. 21.—Patterson completed and Platt of Connecticut began a speech on the Panama canal question in the senate. Patterson declared that the president was largely responsible for the revolt in Panama. Many petitions were received for a service pension bill from Illinois and Calum said it would cost for the first year perhaps \$50,000,000.

The house passed the Hepburn pure food bill on a rising vote, 201 to 68, its opponents being unable to secure a roll call on the bill. No material amendments were adopted.

Commerce Board's Accounts All Right.

Washington, Jan. 21.—The treasury experts who have been investigating the office of Secretary Edward A. Moseley, of the interstate commerce commission, have made a partial report. They state that the accounts of the secretary are absolutely correct, and are in excellent condition, but criticize the method of financial administration in two or three particulars which a member of the commission said do not appear to be of importance.

Secretary Hay Goes South.

Washington, Jan. 21.—Secretary Hay has left for Thomasville, Ga., where he expects to remain ten days or two weeks as the guest of Colonel Payne. The secretary is acting under his doctor's orders in making a visit to the south at this time, as there yet lingers in his system some of the traces of his recent attack of grippe.

TRIAL OF MACHEN CONTINUED

Testimony Mostly Referred to the Bank Accounts of the Lorenzes and Groff.

Washington, Jan. 21.—In the postal trial the government gave further evidence to how the relations existing between Machen, the Groff brothers and Mr. and Mrs. Lorenz, concerning the sale of letter-box fasteners to the government. Several witnesses from Cleveland and Toledo having connection with banking institutions testified to various deposits by the Lorenzes of checks of D. H. Groff for large amounts, and to certain debts made against their individual accounts.

The subject of the coaching of witnesses by Postoffice Inspector Mayer came up, and Douglas, for the defense, said he also would include Postoffice Inspector Gregory in the charge. The matter finally was passed over on the statement of Kunler, counsel for the Lorenzes, that he would procure affidavits to support the charges.

Prof. Von Holst Dead.

Chicago, Jan. 21.—A cablegram received by President Harper, of the University of Chicago, announces the death of Professor Hermann Eduard von Holst at his residence in Freiburg, Germany, where for three years he had been on leave of absence from the university seeking to regain his health. He was 63 years old.

No Glove Fights at Boston.

Boston, Jan. 21.—In connection with the arrest of Joe Chynowski and "Kid" Carter, who boxed at the Criterion Athletic club, on the charge of mutual assault, Chairman William H. H. Emmons, of the police board, announces that it is the intention of the board to purge the city of what he called prize fighting.

NEWS FACTS IN OUTLINE

A series of experiments with radium, starting in its scope, has been undertaken at the University of California, one experiment being an attempt to turn a negro white.

Fire destroyed the mercantile establishment of Florence, King & Co., at Marietta, Ga., and five business buildings. Loss, \$100,000.

Dr. Otto Miliutek, Milwaukee city chemist, has discovered there are 95,000,423 germs on the ordinary old one-dollar bill.

Miss Frances McNabb, 33 years old, was adjudged insane at Chicago, it being alleged the cause was cigarette smoking.

The Boot and Shoe Workers' convention, in session at Cincinnati, has adjourned to meet at Milwaukee next year.

Nine French torpedo boat destroyers have arrived at Suez, bound for the Far East.

The house in which Verdi was born, which is situated at Pisa 30, near Parma, Italy, is to be sold soon at public auction.

The budget committee of the German reichstag has approved an additional appropriation of 250,000 for the German exhibit at St. Louis.

TAX RATE IS TOO HIGH

Governor Yates' Controversy with the State Tax Commission Down to Date.

OGLESBY DENIES THAT REPORT

That He and the Governor Are "Out"—"Scrupulous Conscience" Squares Up—Notes.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 21.—The protest against the 52-cent tax rate for the year 1903, promised some time ago by Governor Yates, was filed by him in the office of the secretary of state. The protest insists that the 52-cent rate is too high, that a 45-cent rate would raise a sufficient tax and leave about \$2,000,000 surplus in the treasury for any emergency, and that the 52-cent rate will increase the surplus in the state treasury to between \$3,500,000 and \$4,000,000. When the tax commission fixed the rate at 52 cents State Auditor McCullough and State Treasurer Busse insisted upon the 52-cent rate, despite Governor Yates' protest at the time to fix the rate at 45 cents.

Didn't Always Think That Way.

In this connection a reference to the message filed by Governor Yates in approving the tax levy bill is interesting. The message and the present contention are exactly opposite. The message approving the bill, filed May 15 last, says that the board, meaning the tax commission, is "required to raise the full amount levied by the bill, and they have no option except to levy the total amount." At the time of filing his message on the bill Governor Yates was so confident of his position that he announced in the message that only a special session of the legislature could change the amount to be raised.

"Scrupulous Conscience" Bobs Up.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 21.—Secretary of State Rose found in his official mail a letter bearing the St. Louis postmark and containing \$1 worth of 5-cent stamps. The letter is dated St. Louis, Jan. 16, 1904, addressed to Rose and says: "About ten years ago the state of Illinois was wronged with my knowledge and my act. Please take these stamps and use them for the state's business. And please do say nothing about this." The letter is signed "Scrupulous Conscience."

Oglesby Says It Is False.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 21.—Colonel John D. Oglesby returned from Logan county, where he spent the day in the interest of his campaign, and denied the persistent rumors of a rupture between himself and Governor Yates. Colonel Oglesby says he has not resigned as private secretary to Governor Yates.

STOPS THE IMPROVEMENT

Law Interferes at Centralia, Because the Town Lies in Two Counties.

Centralia, Ill., Jan. 21.—Although the city council has divided Centralia into seven districts and begun the establishment of a sewerage system on an extensive scale, the contract for the work being let, the contractors have not started work because a peculiar condition confronts the city. Centralia lies in two counties and it is probable that the whole sewerage matter will have to be gone over again, necessitating a delay of six weeks or more.

Judge Wood, of Chicago, says the law does not make the same provision for sewerage assessment where the municipality lies in two counties as it does in regards to school matters and separate proceedings will have to be taken in Clinton and Marion counties in order to proceed with the sewerage assessment, as capitalists fear to purchase the bonds unless that is done.

Illinois Retail Clerks.

Bloomington, Ill., Jan. 21.—The third annual convention of the Illinois State Association of Retail Clerks closed with the election of officers and the selection of LaSalle for the convention of 1905. W. E. Kessberger, of Springfield, was chosen president, and Oscar D. Peterson, of Kewanee, secretary-treasurer. It was decided to increase the per capita tax \$1 per annum.

Figment of an Imagination.

Peoria, Ill., Jan. 21.—Secretary Benjamin Courtwright, of the Peoria park board, denounces the story given out that an unknown man would give \$800,000 to provide for a public park in the central portion of the city. Courtwright asserts that he never received such a letter and that the project exists only in the imagination of the newspaper man who wrote the article.

Shot at One Man; Hit Another.

Bloomington, Ill., Jan. 21.—Edward Mahar, a bartender, shot and killed Ned Woodward. Mahar was shooting at George Kistner, who had returned to the saloon after being ejected. Woodward was a disinterested bystander.

Investigating the Bloomington Strike.

Bloomington, Ill., Jan. 21.—John B. Lennon, Max Morris and Rosin Orr, of the executive committee of the American Federation of Labor, are here to day investigating the strike of the street railway employes.

Fiftieth Typhoid Victim.

Canton, Ill., Jan. 21.—Alonzo Alexander is the fiftieth victim of the epidemic of typhoid fever which has been raging here.

MANAGERS ARE PROTESTING

About That Chicago Theater Ordinance—Council May Make Things Somewhat Easier.

Chicago, Jan. 21.—It is probable that the city council next Monday night will again consider and revise the new theater ordinance. A meeting between the theater managers and a special committee of the aldermen will be held at which the managers will announce what is physically possible for them to accomplish in making their theaters safe and at the same time reason for the balance of the theatrical season.

There is a general feeling among the aldermen that the essentials demanded of the theaters before they are allowed to open their doors is somewhat too stringent, and modifications may be made at the council meeting. At the same time there are many aldermen who are strongly of the opinion that the theaters should not reopen for business until they have been made absolutely safe. It is likely that there will be a strong fight in the council.

WILL OF JAMES L. BLAIR

Provides for Paying His Debts First and Leaves All Else to "My Darling Wife."

St. Louis, Jan. 21.—The will of the late James L. Blair, former general counsel of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition company, who died in Eustis, Fla., last week, was filed for probate by the executor, John F. Lee. It is a very short document written in Blair's own hand on one side of an ordinary piece of typewriting paper. The will was made June 30, 1889.

The first clause provides for the payment of funeral expenses and all debts as speedily as possible. In the second clause, Blair bequeaths to his mother, Mrs. Frank P. Blair, a large portrait of his father and all papers written by or relating to the late General Blair. In making a bequest of the residue of the estate to his wife, Appoline M. Blair, Blair refers to her as "my darling wife" and leaves to her all the rest of his estate.

Bishop Fawcett Consecrated.

Chicago, Jan. 21.—In the presence of nine bishops and more than 100 clergymen of the Episcopalian faith, Rev. M. Edward Fawcett, Ph. D., was consecrated as the third bishop of Quincy in St. Bartholomew's church, Englewood. The consecrator was Dr. Tuttle, bishop of Missouri, and Bishop Nicholson, of Milwaukee, and Bishop C. A. Anderson, of Chicago, were co-consecrators.

Boodle Inquiry at Milwaukee.

Milwaukee, Jan. 21.—District Attorney W. H. Bennett, in the district court, made a motion for the summoning of a new grand jury to complete the investigation of alleged irregularities in city and county governments which is going on at present. The term of the present grand jury will expire with this month.

Marquette Club to Celebrate.

Chicago, Jan. 21.—Lincoln's birthday will be celebrated by the Marquette club by a banquet on Feb. 12 at the Auditorium hotel. Secretary of the Treasury Shaw and representatives Henry S. Borah and Robert G. Cousins will be the speakers.

Big Furnace Plant Closes.

Chicago, Jan. 21.—Nearly 1,000 men were thrown out of employment in South Chicago by the closing of the Iroquois Furnace company's plant. No warning was given the men, and no time was set for reopening.

Chinamen Without Certificates.

Milwaukee, Jan. 21.—Four Chinamen who are without certificates required by the Chinese exclusion act, have been arrested in this city by Deputy United States Marshal Dearborn, of San Francisco.

THE WEATHER

The following is the official weather forecast up to 5 o'clock to night: Illinois and Indiana—Rain, probably turning to snow and colder; brisk northerly winds.

Lower Michigan—Rain or snow; colder; variable winds, shifting to northerly.

Wisconsin—Threatening, with probability snow in east and south portions; colder; brisk northerly winds.

Iowa—Partly cloudy, with probability snow in east and south portions; colder and brisk northerly winds.

THE MARKETS

Chicago Grain. Chicago, Jan. 20. Following were the quotations on the Board of Trade today:

.....	90 1/2	92 1/4	89 3/4	92 1/4
.....	92 1/2	94 3/4	92 1/4	94 3/4
ember	139 1/2	140 3/4	139 1/4	139 1/2
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.....	46 1/2	46 3/4	46 1/4	46 1/2
.....	49 1/2	49 3/4	49 1/4	49 1/2
.....	48 1/2	48 3/4	48 1/4	48 1/2
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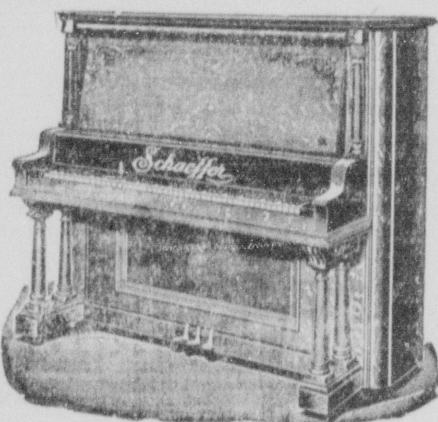
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Republican County Convention.

The Republican voters of the several towns in Lee County are requested to send delegates to the County Convention to be held at Amboy on Monday, January 25th, 1904, at one o'clock P. M. for the purpose of electing delegates to represent Lee County at the State, Congressional and Senatorial Conventions yet to be called, and to transact such other business as may properly be brought before said Convention.

The following table shows the number of delegates to which each township is entitled. The basis of representation is one delegate for each twenty-five votes cast for Republican electors in 1900, and one delegate for each fraction thereof, together with two delegates at large from each town:

REPRESENTATION BY TOWNSHIPS.	
Alto	9 East Grove
Amboy, 1st precinct	10 Hamilton
" 2nd "	7 Harmon
" Delegates at large	2 Lee Center
Ashton	11 Marion
Bradford	7 May
Brooklyn	11 Nachusa
China	12 Nelson
Dixon, 1st precinct	12 Palmyra
" 2nd "	14 Reynolds
" 3rd "	13 South Dixon
" 4th "	8 Sublette
" 5th "	11 Viola
" 6th "	10 Willow Creek
" Delegates at large	2 Wyoming
Total	
252	

The Republican Committees of the several towns are requested to call caucuses to select delegates on Saturday afternoon or evening, January 23rd, 1904, at the usual or most convenient places.

M. J. MCGOWAN,
Chairman Republican County Central Committee.
HARRY EDWARDS,
Secretary.

Dixon Primaries.

The Republican voters of the several precincts in the Town of Dixon are requested to hold primaries at 7:30 P. M. January 23rd A. D. 1904 at the places hereinafter mentioned for the purpose of selecting delegates to the Republican County Convention, to be held at Amboy on Monday, January 25th A. D. 1904, at one o'clock P. M.

The places where said primaries will be held and the delegates to which the respective precincts are entitled are as follows:

PRECINCT		DELEGATES	
First—City Council rooms	12	Second—Burkhardt's Feed Store on Hennepin Ave.	14
Third—Lafferty's Restaurant	18	Fourth—Jones' Hall	18
Fifth—Anderson's shop on Fellows St.	8	Sixth—Raymond's Coal Office	10

The town of Dixon is also entitled to two delegates at large to be named at said primaries.

Dated this 15th day of January A. D. 1904.
H. U. BARDWELL,
F. G. DIMICK,
D. S. LAFFERTY,
LOUIS SCHEPHER, Jr., Committee men.
J. W. WATTS,
E. E. WINGERT,
E. H. BREWSTER,
BY E. H. BREWSTER, Chairman.
H. U. BARDWELL, Secretary.

Prophetstown Waterworks.

The town council of Prophetstown at a meeting last Tuesday night let the contract for the construction of the water works system to be put in that town, and the work on the standpipe will be commenced at once, it being the expectation of the contractors to have the entire system completed and ready for use by July 1, next.

The lesson of the recent fire which took out a good portion of the business part of the place has been an expensive one, although it has not been without its benefits in that it has hastened the construction of the water works system so long needed, and in place of the burned buildings are being erected new and modern structures.

Fine Walnut Log.

The Peck gun stock factory at Sterling cut up the best walnut log in Whiteside county Thursday. The log was sold to the factory by Attorney L. T. Stocking of Morrison. It measured twenty-four and three-quarter inches of black wood at the small end and was sixteen feet long. It was clear lumber and the factory sawed out just 123 government gun stocks from it. "This," said John Peck, "is the best log that we ever sawed since I have been in the gun stock business and it is a credit to Whiteside county, as it was raised there."

United Evangelical.

The past two evenings has witnessed the largest as well as the smallest attendance during the present series of evangelistic meetings. Though the attendance was small last evening on account of the storm and bad walking, yet all present were fully repaid for their effort. Rev. L. C. Schmidt is preaching some very practical and helpful sermons, as well as rendering other valuable service. A number have already expressed their determination to lead a christian life.

Something New.

The ladies of Dixon are invited to a shirt waist exhibit at Geisenheimer's tomorrow. See particulars on page two.

LIGHTS WERE OUT.

Officials Test Train Crews on Iowa Division of C. & N. W.

A report reaches this city that a test similar to the one worked by Northwestern officials at Mayfair a couple of weeks ago was tried at Quarry, two miles east of Marshalltown, Saturday night. Three or four train crews passed the danger signal and officials who planned the test marked down the numbers of the trains.

The majority of the engineers who went up against the remarkable test failed to be trapped by the officials. They observed that the light was "absent" and stopped their train, and waited until a "release" was received. Others went by regardless of the light being out. It is said that these trainmen may be suspended for thirty or forty days for not obeying the rules.

According to the rules of the company a light that is not burning has the same significance that a red light or danger signal, would have. The light in a semaphore above a station, according to the rules must be noticed not only by the engineer and fireman but also by the conductor. The fact that the light was not burning, if noticed, would bring any train, even with any orders previously given, to a standstill and the conductor would not give the order to go ahead until the train dispatcher had given a new release.

RATES TO EXPOSITION

Railroads Will Make Public Excursion and Cut Rates March 1.

By March the railroads will have decided upon and made public the excursion and cut rates they intend making for the world's fair traffic. The railroads have been holding off until the ticket scalpers were driven out.

The railroad officials on all lines issued an ultimatum to the world's fair managers and the people of St. Louis that they would make no rates until they were assured they would not be handicapped by the operations of ticket scalpers.

An injunction, however, has been granted by the United States court at St. Louis against the handling of the return tickets on the railroads by the scalpers.

Rate clerks and passenger officials of the different roads in the Central association, directly entering St. Louis will soon get together and decide upon a schedule of rates, and afterward the trunk lines in the east and west will make rates for through tickets on the same basis.

LEAP YEAR PARTY.

Young Ladies of Carnation Club Will Entertain Escorts and Friends.

The ladies of the Carnation club will on Wednesday evening, February 10, entertain with a leap year party at the G. G. Rosbrook hall. This will be the third annual event of this character for the club ladies and an unusually enjoyable affair is anticipated. A large number of invitations will be sent out and quite a number of out-of-town acceptances are expected. Prof. W. G. Kent's orchestra of eight pieces will furnish the music. The ladies interested are Mrs. Silas Uhl, Mrs. Harry Osborn, Mrs. Will Cahill and Misses Nellie Coffey, Julia Talty and Annie Haley.

EXTENSION AT AMBOY

Rumor That Fifteen Stalls Will Be Built in Round House.

It is rumored that the Illinois Central Railroad company plan on making extensions in their shop system in Amboy. One of these enlargements will be the construction of fifteen new stalls at the round house for the accommodation of the engines spending the night there. The trade through that city and the switching done in the yards there has been very extensive during the past few months and often four or five engines have been switching at the same time.

OGLE COUNTY SUICIDE.

Ends His Life With a Bullet Near Byron.

Cornelius Bonne, a former employe of the Emerson Manufacturing Co., of Rockford, committed suicide Wednesday morning by shooting himself at his home three miles north of Byron. Mr. Bonne was about forty-five years of age. He had been in poor health for some weeks and the relatives here are of the opinion that his mind had become affected. He leaves a widow and four children.

Cigarettes Craze a Woman.

The constant use of cigarettes was the cause of the unbalancing of the mind of Miss Fannie McNobb of Chicago, who was adjudged insane in the courts Tuesday and sent to the asylum at Kankakee. She is 33 years old and for years she has smoked a package of cigarettes daily.

2 FOR 1 DOUBLE BLUE TRADING STAMPS AND

Clean Sweep Sale Commencing Wednesday, Jan. 20

AND LASTING 3 DAYS.

WE intend making this the greatest money saving sale ever held in Dixon. Prices on Ladies' Cloaks and Suits will be cut in 2

1-3 Off on all Misses' and Children's Cloaks and Furs.

50 Ladies' Drsses and Walking Skirts will be sold at 1-3 Off
EVERYTHING throughout our entire stock will be sold regardless of profit.
Remember the dates

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 20, THURSDAY, Jan. 21, FRIDAY, Jan. 22.

DURING this sale we will give one BLUE STAMP with every 5 cent purchase. ALWAYS a step AHEAD in quality, a step BEHIND in price.

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Contrary to all reports we will continue to give Blue Trading Stamps during 1904.
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For Cash

\$15.00 Sideboard 10.60 \$12.50 Oak Dining Table 9.15

\$14 Weathered Oak Rocker 10.20 \$7.50 Weathered Oak Table 4.00

1 Lot of 15c Swiss for 9c 1 Lot 6x9 Art Squares 2.58

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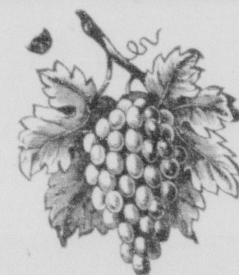
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Commencing

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SATURDAY NIGHT
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"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." A few breaths of Hyomei through the neat pocket inhaler that comes with every outfit will check a cold or the grip at the start, and prevent serious and lasting illness.

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A Hyomei outfit costs only \$1, and contains an inhaler, medicine dropper and bottle of Hyomei. The inhaler lasts a lifetime and when more Hyomei is needed, extra bottles can be obtained for 50c.

Rowland Bros. give their personal guarantee with every Hyomei outfit they sell to refund the money if it does not cure.

For constipation consult Dr. Blankmer, the Common Sense Specialist, at Hotel Shields, if you want to be cured.

—The Ladies' Aid Society of the Christian church will meet at the home of Mrs. Dollmeyer, Friday afternoon at one o'clock.

At the Methodist Church.

Notwithstanding the weather the services at the Methodist church yesterday were very impressive and successful. The addresses of Mrs. Ellish were full of enthusiasm and intelligent exhortation by the work of the Missions.

Tonight Rev. Wm. Craven will preach. The subject of his sermon will be, "The Joyful Outlook." Friday afternoon Mr. Craven's bible study will be on "Transformation by the Holy Spirit." Miss Hitchcock will sing at this service. The public is cordially invited to all our services.

Miss Vernie Merriman sang a very pretty solo at the service yesterday afternoon.

Tomorrow afternoon there will be a service for boys and girls at 4 o'clock.

New Goods

ARE CONSTANTLY ARRIVING AT

BURKART'S JEWELRY STORE

for the Holidays. Some of which are to be seen in our show window while others will be gladly shown you if you step inside.

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JEWELER & OPTICIAN

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Fast Mail Eats Up Coal

A half ton of coal shoveled every ten minutes is the record of a fireman on the fast mail No. 9 on the Northwestern. It necessarily follows that a ton of coal was burned every twenty minutes during the run. The limited mail is drawn by engines having drivers seven feet in diameter driven by cylinders 21x26 inches. The tank holds 5,000 gallons of water. Between Chicago and Clinton, a distance of 138.1 miles, about seven tons of coal is burned, and nearly two tanks of water used. From Clinton to Boone, 202 miles, two tanks of water and ten tons of coal are consumed.

Not long ago when the mail was 30 minutes late and instructions given that it must be at the Transferat Council Bluffs on time to connect with the Union Pacific, the fireman shoveled twelve tons of coal between Clinton and Boone.

When the big engines are crowded to the limit of their speed the consumption of coal is vastly increased, the terrific exhaust hurling hundreds upon hundreds of pounds of unconsumed fuel from the stack.

A driver seven feet in diameter, traveling a mile will revolve 233 times and at a speed of seventy-five miles an hour it will make 291 revolutions every minute. The follower heads will traverse the length of the cylinder 582 times or twice the number of revolutions made by the drivers. The engine is running under a pressure of 210 pounds to the square inch. The escape of steam through the feed pipes to the steam chest is equivalent to the loss through a ten inch hole in the boiler. The pulse of the exhaust at such speed fans the furnace into a white heat so fierce as to blind the eyes.

The coal is broken into small cubes ready for the fire box, so the fireman does not have to use his pick a great deal. However, he has not time to perch himself on the seat box and take a panoramic view of the fitting scenery that slips past with incredible velocity. All he has to do is to shovel coal and keep on shoveling coal.

If a headlight should show up ahead and the engineer cry out "There comes a headlight," the fireman would only have to follow his lead and jump from the gangway. Going at a speed of 75 miles an hour he would be moving through space 100 feet per second, and instances have been known when engineers and firemen have not been killed jumping under these circumstances.

Late Telegrams

SEVERAL WERE KILLED.

In Natural Gas Explosion Which Blew Up Hotel.

Special to THE TELEGRAPH: MAHON, Ind., Jan. 21.—An explosion of natural gas early this morning destroyed the Beitz Hotel and killed Charles Beitz, the proprietor, and wife and James Develin the proprietor of the cafe.

Edward Gaskell and L. H. Hobe were fatally injured. Ten others were hurt and the thirty guests in the hotel were all buried in the wreckage. Fire broke out, making the rescue perilous.

Robbers Secure \$80,000.

Special to THE TELEGRAPH: SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 21.—During the temporary absence of the messenger from an express car on the Southern Pacific train, No. 9, robbers threw off the safe near Questa Grade. The safe contained \$80,000. Officers are searching for the robbers.

AMERICAN PRESS ASSO.

A NOON WEDDING

Miss Lulu Moore and C. A. Kloman Married Today.

Today at high noon at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Nina M. Moore, occurred the wedding of her daughter, Miss Lulu, to Carl A. Kloman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kloman, of 3249 Calumet avenue, Chicago.

The wedding service was performed by the Rev. Wm. Craven of the First Methodist church of Dixon, in the presence of immediate relatives only. After the ceremony the bridal party was seated to a six course dinner served by the bride's sister, Mrs. Fred A. Mead.

Mr. and Mrs. Kloman were the recipients of many valuable and useful wedding presents. They will be at home to their many friends after February 1st at 1697 Diversey boulevard.

Returns From Consecration.

The Rev. John Mark Ericsson is home from Chicago, where he yesterday attended the consecration of Rev. Fawcett as third bishop of Quincy. Nine bishops, including Bishop Edsall, nephew of S. C. Eells of Dixon, and over one hundred clergymen were present.

Rev. Fawcett is known as a man of broad views and liberal mind. He has won the good will of the entire diocese by his unselfish ideas. At first some of the older members were inclined to oppose him for several reasons, but they have been overcome and he stands today one of the most popular men of the Episcopal church in the country. Rev. Fawcett is a traveler and a writer. He has seen much of the world and has written several interesting works on religion.

Woodmen Will Meet.

A special meeting of Camp No. 50 M. W. A., will meet tonight. A vote will be taken on the acceptance of the Woodman memorial, the work of a Dixon artist.

—The Rebekah Lodge will hold a public installation Friday evening, Jan. 22. All Rebekahs, Odd Fellows and friends of the lodge are invited.

Brought to Dixon.

Bodies of John Rohn and Son Willie Arrive Friday Noon.

The bodies of John Rohn and son Willie, who died in Chicago, the latter Tuesday night and the father the next morning, will be brought to Dixon for burial arriving on the 12:22 train Friday afternoon. Mr. Rohn was a step-father and William a half-brother of E. T. Warn of this city. Mrs. Rohn is a sister of Mrs. Augusta Drew and an aunt of Ralph Hendrix and W. D. Drew. Interment will take place at once and there will be services at the grave.

Enjoyed Firemen's Bazaar.

Despite the bad weather there was a pretty fair crowd at the opening dance of the firemen's bazaar last night. It was not possible to collect all of the articles yesterday, owing to the rain, but the exhibit has been added to today.

The music of the Star Mandolin Club, with violin added, was very fine and the dancing was enjoyed by all. A traveling man of generous avoirdupois took a tumble on the smooth floor last night, but got his feet again without assistance. A large crowd is expected tonight.

All diseases of a private nature are annihilated skillfully and scientifically by Dr. Blankmer, the Common Sense Specialist. Hotel Shields. t1

The Westerner Tonight.

The Davidson Stock Co. will open a three nights engagement this evening at the opera house in the Westerner. This is the company's first visit to our city and if they are as capable as our exchanges claim them, they will play to a good business here.

Date of Willie Boy Changed.

The date for the play called The Willie Boy, under the auspices of Dixon lodge of Elks has been changed to Feb. 10th by request, as it will give everyone a chance to attend.

COMMITTEE

Mr. O. L. Watts had all of his teeth extracted without pain by Dr. Blankmer, the national expert at Hotel Shields yesterday and left the office laughing with the words of gratitude, "God bless the Doctor."

THE NEW BUILDING.

For 35 years the late Charles F. Emerson was a member of the Odd Fellows lodge and being heartily in sympathy with the principles of the order took a great interest in its welfare and growth. In no other way could he so surely perpetuate the order in Dixon than to see that it was housed in a building of its own, and as he realized that his days were numbered he made provision in his will for a home for the lodge. The \$15,000 he bequeathed would have been perhaps sufficient in itself for a building, but by adding a little more to it the lodge could put up a building which would insure a good income, while the debt would only increase the interest of the members in the building. The building will be a lasting memorial to his love for the order and his interest in his fellows. Still more permanent

CONCERNING LABOR AND HOME INDUSTRIES

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UNION LABEL

DIXON, ILL.

will be the gratitude in the hearts of the members of Dixon Lodge No. 39, I. O. O. F.

The building is not only handsome exteriorly but most beautifully furnished interiorly. On the ground floor are two large store rooms well lighted. A graceful stone archway on Galena avenue leads to the floors above and over this arch on the face of the building is a memorial tablet of C. F. Emerson. The south half of the second floor is divided into three suits of office rooms. These like the rest of the building are finished in red oak. The banquet hall and kitchen occupy the north half of the second floor, the hall being 24x48 feet and finished with ceiling in light buff, walls in light brown and dado in chocolate.

The third floor is used entirely for lodge purposes. The stairway is roomy and there are commodious ante rooms. All doors on this floor, except the entrance doors from the stairway, are sliding doors and move out of the way by a touch of the hand. These ante rooms are finished about as the banquet hall. In the southwest corner is the large parlor—a beautiful room which is as attractive as any home. The windows are large. A fireplace is built against the south wall. The ceiling is timbered and in panels. In this room the lower part or dado is finished with dark red oak color, the side walls with soft olive green and the ceiling with light oak color.

Sliding doors giving an opening twelve feet wide are between the parlor and the lodge room. This is a fine large room extending the length of the building. Across the back of the room is a gallery with three tiers of seats. Underneath this gallery is the regalia room. The high ceiling of the lodge room is also timbered, giving it a stately and handsome effect and the colors on the walls give the room a rich appearance. The dado is a cherry red, the side walls the same soft olive green as the parlor and the ceiling light oak color in the panels between the timbers. White and red electric bulbs line the timbers of the ceiling and upon the floor is a handsome red carpet. The furniture is also in keeping with the neatness of the hall.

NO TWO HANDS, TWO HEADS, Or Two Feet are the same

BUT that doesn't mean in these modern times that you must have your shoes made to order. We can perfectly fit any foot that is not deformed with a pair of stylish, durable shoes. Why not let us try to fit your feet with a pair?

Men's Patent Kid, Patent Colt, Viel Kid, Velour Calf, all new style toes, at..... \$3.50
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July.....	84½-85½	84½	81½	83½a
Sept.....	79½-80½	79½	77½	79a
Corn—				
May.....	50½-51½	50½	49½	49½-50a
July.....	48½-49½	48½	47½	48½a
Sept.....	48½-49½	48½	47½	47½a
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HOW JIMMIE GOT HIS ENGINE

By WILLIAM WALKER HINES

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It was the general understanding among all the employees of the Lawrenceburg division of the X. and Y. R. R. that when Jimmie Kincaid got his engine he would also get Nettie Oliver. But Jimmie's chance for getting an engine in the near future did not seem particularly bright. He was fourth on the list of firemen of the Lawrenceburg division, and that meant he must wait until four engineers died, reached the age of limit or were fired. Of course there was always the chance that he would be able to do something to attract the attention of the superintendent of motive power, and then he might get his engine at any time.

In the meantime Nettie had a fairly good position as telegrapher at Benson station, and Jimmie could get a chance to chat with her for a few minutes every day when his train, passenger No. 14, lay over on the siding at Benson to allow the limited mail to pass. When he had begun scraping an acquaintance with Nettie something over a year before Jimmie had used the pretext that he was thinking of learning telegraphy, and under her tutelage he had picked up a fair working knowledge of the Morse code.

Many a sly joke did the train crew of No. 14 crack at Jimmie's suddenly born ambition to learn telegraphy, but he bore all of these with equanimity and said that the knowledge might come in handy some time. After awhile it became understood among all the men that Jimmie's case was really serious, and then the jokes stopped. Even the head brakeman of No. 14, who had a reputation as a wit, forbore to make remarks about the connection between the Morse code and pretty girls.

Benson station is at the foot of Twelve Mile hill, and this hill is regarded by the engineers as the worst place on the division. The grade is so heavy that the track winds up the hill in two long loops. When you get to the beginning of the second loop you are only a mile from Benson station on a straight line, but it is six miles distant by the track. After he had mastered the rudiments of the Morse code, Jimmie would take hold of the whistle cord when No. 14 came to the loop on the down grade and signal "Hello" to Nettie at Benson station in sharp blasts upon the whistle, which stood for the dots and dashes of the code.

So things went along for a year and Jimmie's prospects of promotion got little brighter. On the records of the office of the superintendent of motive power he was still merely James Kincaid, fourth on the list of firemen, with a good reputation and the prospect of succeeding to an engine in the course of five or six years. When business picked up in the fall a number of extra freight trains were put on, and he got his first chance to run an engine.

On the first trip it fell to his lot to take out the third section of freight train No. 106, east bound. The third section of No. 106 was made up of thirty-one heavily loaded cars, and none of these was equipped with air brakes. As he pulled out of Adairville the old yard master swung himself up into the cab of the engine and said:

"I think ye'll pull the engine all right, Jimmie, me bye, but for the love of the saints be careful when ye strike the top of the hill this side of Benson. Faith, it's a heavy train they've given ye, and if it should break in two going down that hill and thin cyars with no air brakes on to them there'll be the devil and all to pay."

Despite this warning, there was no fear of a "break in two" in Jimmie's heart as he nursed his engine along toward the top of the hill on the other side of which lay Benson. This is an accident which happens very rarely and which not even the most experienced engineer can successfully guard against. But as he struck the top of the hill and began to descend on the side toward Benson he felt a jerk which nearly threw him off his seat. Looking back, he saw that the worst had happened. A coupling had snapped in the middle of the train.

For the present there was but one thing to do, and that was to go down grade as fast as he could. Looking back, he could see that the rear brakeman, who was the only man on the cars which had been left behind, had made one ineffectual attempt to set the brakes and then had jumped to safety. Jimmie knew that if the fourteen cars running wild behind caught up with the forward half of the train there would be a wreck which would cause damage to the extent of thousands of dollars and blacklist, if not kill, the engineer responsible.

Faster and faster the telegraph poles on the side of the track flew past him. Jimmie's mind was working faster than it had ever done in his life. His orders directed him to wait on the siding at Benson station for the west-bound passenger train to pass, and he knew that at any cost he must save the passenger. Away off to the farther side of Benson he could already see the faint line of smoke coming up from it, and he knew that it would arrive at Benson in just about ten minutes. He figured that his own train was going about a mile a minute and would reach Benson in seven minutes. If no alternative offered itself he resolved to put on all brakes when he got to the foot of the hill and deliberately wreck his own train. There was a straight track for three miles on the farther

side of Benson, and the engineer of the passenger train would see the wreck in ample time to come to a stop.

This plan, if carried out, would probably mean death for Jimmie, but he analyzed the situation none the less coolly because of that. Death is something that engineers get accustomed to facing. But if he could only discover some way of letting Nettie know the condition of affairs it would be an easy matter for her to throw the derailing switch after he had passed and allow the rear half of the train to come to a safe haven in the cornfield beside the track.

Down at the station Nettie heard a sound which sent her rushing out to the platform. Away up the hill she could see a freight train coming down at a terrific rate of speed. The whistle cord seemed to be in the hands of a lunatic, for the whistle was sounding in strange, unearthly shrieks. As she watched it something struck her as being strangely familiar about the way the whistle was sounding. All of a sudden it struck her there was method in the shrieks, and that, interpreted by the Morse code, they were saying, "BN, BN, BN," her station call. This was continued for a few seconds, and then began: "Broke in two! Throw derailing switch when first section is past station." Three times this was repeated, and then the engine went around the curve at the farther end of the loop, and she could hear the whistle only faintly.

But she heard enough, and when Jimmie's engine whizzed past the station with his white face pressed closely against the glass at the side of the engine cab he saw Nettie standing at the switch. When the last car in the part of the train which still remained intact had passed the frog he saw her throw all her weight on the switch handle, and the signals told him that every one of the cars which were following him would pile themselves ungracefully, but harmlessly, on the soft earth of the cornfield. Bringing his engine to a stop, he ran back to the station and on to the siding in ample time to let the passenger train pass him.

The train master examined Jimmie very closely as to the necessity of piling valuable freight cars on useful agricultural land and passed the case up to the division superintendent. He examined the papers carefully, made some notes on the bottom of them and referred the whole matter to the superintendent of motive power. When Jimmie walked out of the office he was a full fledged engineer and had been congratulated on his presence of mind. And the superintendent of motive power congratulated him again a month later when the railroad lost the services of the telegraph operator at Benson station and Jimmie got a wife.

Under the Apple Blossoms.
"How sweet, how pure, they are!" she said, breathing in the fragrance of the apple blossoms on the branch he bent down for her.

"Like you—like a maiden's love," he added, with designed sentimentality. "And how quickly they wither and come to naught—another similarity," she said, with malice aforethought, bending him off.

"Or turn hard and sour and fill us with pain and anguish if, like silly little boys, we think we like them," he amended grimly, aware of her object.

For half a second she looked into his scowling eyes with a relenting twinkle growing in her own.

"But if we have a little patience they grow sweet and wholesome again, and—delicious for domestic uses—pies, for instance," she whispered between a laugh and a sigh.

"The soot turned into a bewildered stare. Then Providence sent him a spark of intelligence.

"Mabel," he cried eagerly, seizing her hands—"Mabel, I adore apple pies."

"And—ah, Jack, I make very good ones," she murmured demurely.

And then—all the apple blossoms flushed a delicate pink.

St. Elizabeth of Hungary.

It is curious that St. Elizabeth of Hungary should have spent only the first four years of her life in the country which always distinguishes her name. She was only just four when her father, the king of Hungary, sent her to Thuringia to be betrothed to the nine-year-old Prince Louis, and there she remained all through her childhood and married life until her death in 1231. Perhaps, says the London Chronicle, because she is one of the few saints whose holiness did not preclude love and marriage she always seems a particularly human saint, and the tales that are told of her—how, for instance, she gave away her toys and dolls to poor children when she was but a baby herself, how the food she was taking to beggars in a covered basket turned to red and white roses when her husband lifted the lid, how she heard a bird singing to her on her deathbed and sang to it in reply—all point to the poetry and charm which are associated with her name.

She Meant Dog, Not Husband.

The late Edwin Lord Weeks, the painter and illustrator, had always a great dislike for dogs. It was amusing, his friends say, to hear him harangue against dogs, and innumerable were the stories reflecting upon dogs in an unfavorable light which Mr. Weeks had on the tip of his tongue.

"I dined last night," he said one day, "with Blank. After dinner Blank and I went into the library to look over some John Leech prints. Blank was talking learnedly about Leech when he heard his wife in the next room say: 'Where is my guardian angel?'"

"Here I am, my dear," Blank called. But his wife retorted:

"Oh, I don't mean you. I mean Fido."—New York Tribune.

CAN YOU GUESS TIME?

THERE ARE FOLK WHO CAN DO IT ALMOST TO THE MINUTE.

They seem to have a singular ability for measuring off the hours like a Chronometer—Some People Who Think Time Stands Still.

Guessing the time of day is an amusement for some and almost a profession for others. The best guessers are not those whose occupations require them to be most scrupulous in the matter of time. Railway employees, especially conductors and engineers, are so much men of the minute and the second and have so learned to trust to their watches that they do not acquire the skill that many men have of guessing time by various natural indications or by a sort of mysterious knack.

The laborer who does not carry a watch can often guess within ten or fifteen minutes of the time at any hour of his working day. It is not uncommon even in New York for a laborer on the street to inquire the time of day of a passerby, but the query is oftentimes made near the noon hour, and the laborer, if asked to guess, could probably come very close to the very minute indicated by the length of shadows, the position of the sun and the quantity of light falling into the street. Men working underground or at night guess the time much less closely than those who work by daylight and in the open air.

Many men go by the "hunger clock" and can guess very close to the hour for quitting work whether at noon or toward the close of the day's work. In shops where there are no clocks hundreds of inquiries as to the time pass from mouth to mouth as those hours approach. The signal for quitting work seldom comes as a surprise to the ordinary hand worker.

Brain workers and men whose trades require delicate manipulation do not guess time so accurately as unskilled laborers, because they become so absorbed in their work as to be oblivious to the flight of time. A hardworking business man of New York used to keep an alarm clock on his desk, which went off at the hour he should make ready to catch a suburban train. The alarm literally waked him up out of thought. Sometimes, so to speak, he slept through the alarm and missed his train. Without this reminder he would overstay his time at the office an hour or more.

Some men have a really uncanny power of guessing time. They do it apparently without the aid of natural indications and by means of some inward monitor which goes on measuring off the hours like a chronometer. There are men who can ordinarily guess the time within ten minutes at any hour of their waking day. It is suspected that such men rarely become deeply absorbed in their work, though the faculty often accompanies fine intellectual powers.

A much rarer power than that of guessing the time at a given hour of the day is that of guessing the elapsed time in short periods. Hardly one man in ten can come within five minutes of guessing the elapsed time in periods of less than half an hour and more than a quarter, and very few can tell within a minute when a period of ten minutes has elapsed.

The most difficult feat in time guessing is to wake from a sound sleep in the small hours after having gone to bed before midnight and guess within half an hour of the time. Most persons, unaided by natural indications, such as moonlight, the first signs of dawn in midsummer or the profound quiet of the house in winter, cannot under these conditions guess within two hours of the time.

Persons ordinarily underestimate the time they have slept at night and overestimate the length of a daylight nap. The cat nap of two or three minutes appears to most persons to have lasted from fifteen minutes to half an hour. In fact, some persons seem to get to sleep all over and through and through whenever they lose consciousness and are thus utterly oblivious of the flight of time, while others seem never, even at night, to be thoroughly saturated with sleep. Persons of the latter class wake at any moment of the night in almost full possession of their faculties and can usually form a pretty good notion of the hour.

Public speakers are proverbially bad guessers of the elapsed time when they speak extemporaneously. Clergymen, through habit, however, can guess pretty close as to the length of an extemporaneous sermon, and the clergyman who preaches beyond his usual time gets many hints that he is talking too long from the conduct of his hearers. When a preacher sees his usually wakeful hearers nodding and the younger members of the congregation more than usually uneasy in their seats he knows that he has passed his usual limit.

Women and children are bad guessers of time because they tend to be preoccupied with the matter of the moment, so that they are oblivious to all else. Men who have the habit of keeping their watches accurate and of noting the hour down to the very second are amused to find that most women take no note of any period of time below a quarter of an hour. Nine women out of ten with a clock face in sight will fail to note the time within five minutes.

It is the eternal puzzle of the man with a keen sense for time that many women and some men seem to believe that time has a way of pausing in its flight. Such men and women after inquiring the time will report it the same ten minutes later and will resent with an injured air the suggestion that the hour cannot be exactly the same that it was ten minutes before.—New York Times.

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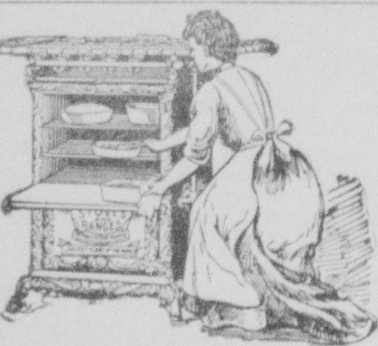
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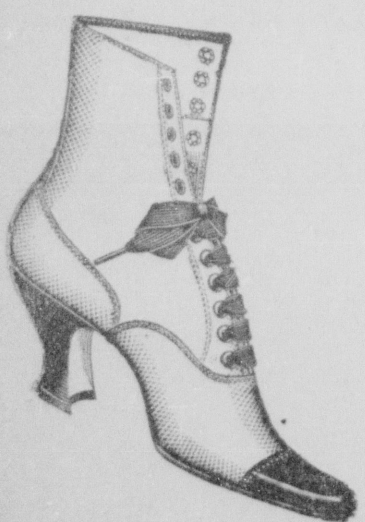
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A boy who was required to write an essay on hens produced the following: "Hens is curious animals. They don't have no nose nor no teeth nor no ears. They swallow their whistles whole and chew it up in their crops inside of 'em. The outside of hens is generally put in to pillars and into feather dusters. The inside of a hen is sometimes filled with marbles and shirt buttons and such. A hen is very much smaller than a good many other animals, but they'll dig up more tomato plants than anything that ain't a hen. Hens is very useful to lay eggs for plum puddings. Hens have got wings and can fly when they get frightened. I cut off a hen's head with a hatchet, and it frightened her to death."

Cabbages In Pledge.

There is one pawnbroking establishment in connection with Covent Garden market that is absolutely without a rival. This pawnbroking license enables the holder to lend money on garden and other produce by special contracts that only hold good for forty-eight hours as the extreme limit. Many a good load of fruit, flowers or vegetables that may arrive late for one market or that may not be instantly salable is pledged. Next morning the stuff can either be redeemed or sold by the broker.

His Class.

Ethel—So Edith has finally caught the nobleman she was trying to hook? Marjory—Yes, she said in her last letter that he belongs to the landed gentry.—Yale Record.

The miser is as much in want of that which he has as of that which he has not.—Syrus.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

Children at Play Set Curtain on Fire.

A destructive fire was narrowly averted by prompt action of Mrs. August Sundberg at her home in Sterling last Tuesday evening. One of the children in play swung a burning stick around his head, when a spark from the brand caught fire to the lace window curtains, which in an instant sprang into flame. Mrs. Sundberg, at the expense of several severe blisters on her hands, tore down the curtains and extinguished the fire before other damages had been done than scorched woodwork and smoked wall paper.

Baby Daughter.

Born, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, of Chicago. Mrs. Richardson will be remembered as Miss Cornelia Helle, a frequent Dixon visitor.

—John Vail went to Elgin yesterday to work in a shoe factory there.

—Mrs. J. M. Batchelder entertained the Pioneer Whist Club yesterday.

—Miss Bessie Heath, who is sick with peritonitis, is some better today.

—James McMahan and John Lowery went to Pontiac today to take positions.

—Herman Meinenl of Freeport is studying law in the offices of Attorney H. A. Brooks.

—The Order of the Eastern Star will give a dance at Armory hall, next Tuesday night.

—Mrs. Geo. Watson is here from Chicago on a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Woodyatt.

—Mrs. Mary Sizer came out from Chicago for a two months' visit with her son, Fred M. Underwood, and family.

—Today Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Moore will entertain the Bluff Park Luncheon Club and their husbands at a six o'clock dinner.

—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mead entertained the Moore-Kloman wedding guests from Chicago at their home on North Galena avenue today.

—A meeting of St. Agnes chapter of the Guild will be held Saturday, Jan. 23 at the residence of Mrs. Geo. W. Hawley. All who desire to attend will please notify Mrs. A. F. Moore. A wagonette will leave the Nachusa house at 2 o'clock promptly.

—Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock Mr. M. F. Gales of Plankinton, S. D., and Miss Edna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Watson of Sterling, were united in marriage in St. Mary's church, Sterling, Father J. J. Bennett officiating. The ceremony was followed by nuptial high mass.

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I HEREBY announce myself as a candidate for the office of Collector for the township of Dixon, subject to the action of the Republican Caucus. D. J. SNYDER.

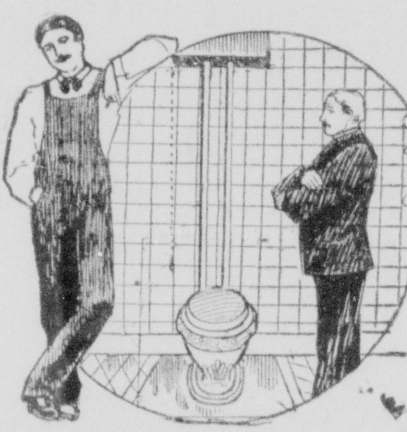
I WISH to announce myself as candidate for the office of Assessor Dixon township subject to the action of the Republican Caucus. Geo. F. CHESBORT.

I HEREBY announce myself as a candidate for the office of Collector for the township of Dixon, subject to the action of the Republican Caucus. CHAS. CURRAN.

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